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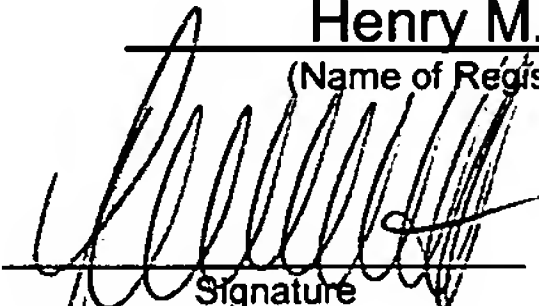
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: MAAG

In re Application of:)
AXEL MAAG)
Appl. No.: 10/562,747)
Int. Filing Date: June 29, 2004)
For: METHOD FOR STRAIGHTENING HOT PROFILED SECTIONS)

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of attention of the Examiner to the references listed on enclosed form PTO-1449 which were cited in the instant specification, in the International Search Report issued by the European Patent Office with regard to the corresponding International patent application No. PCT/EP2004/007037, respectively. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

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With respect to European Patent Appl. No. EP 0 753 360 A1, an English-language Abstract is enclosed.

With respect to German Patent No. DE 35 01 522 C1, an English-language Abstract is enclosed.

With respect to German Offenlegungsschrift No. DE 24 56 782, an English-language Abstract is enclosed.

With respect to German Patent No. DE 36 38 816 C1, an English-language Abstract is enclosed.

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With respect to European Patent Publication No. EP 0 545 825 A1, an English-language Abstract is enclosed.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

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